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July 23, 2014

Coeur d' Alene Police Department  
Ron H. Clark  
3818 Schreiber Way  
Coeur d' Alene, ID 83814

Dear Chief Ron H. Clark,

So far, this year's number of dogs shot by law enforcement officers nationwide totals **346**. This represents an average of **49** dogs shot per month. Six of these incidents involved Idaho law enforcement officers who were from Boise, Coeur d'Alene, Filer and Nampa Police Departments. In three of those incidents, legal proceedings against the respective departments were initiated or settlements reached.

As residents of your policing jurisdictions, we share your concern for your officers' safety, but we are even more so concerned for the safety of the residents. In the Boise incident, 4 stray bullets hit unintended targets. The Filer shooting happened just outside of a 9 year old boy's bedroom. In Coeur d'Alene, an officer shot into a parked vehicle. In Wichita, Kansas, a 10 year old boy was struck in the knee and a second bullet struck a residence when the officer attempted to shoot a dog, and officers from Clifton, New Jersey and Riverside, California shot themselves while trying to shoot at dogs.

We are aware that a lot goes through an officer's mind when called out for an incident, and that not all such shootings should be condemned. However, we are also convinced by local testimonials published after the recent **Defensive Tactics: Canine Encounters** training in Filer, and by news coverage of the Louisiana Governor's Animal Welfare Commission (LAWC) regarding this course, that many of these firearms discharges could be avoided with proper, practical training in understanding dog behavior and the use of "soft technique" alternative methods to defend against dogs perceived to be aggressing an officer.

On October 30<sup>th</sup>, the **Ada County Sheriff's Department** will be hosting Jim Osorio's **Defensive Tactics: Canine Encounters** training. This training was previously scheduled for July 10<sup>th</sup>, but had to be rescheduled because of insufficient registration numbers.

For the safety of our communities and our law enforcement officers, we respectfully request that your agency takes a pro-active stance and affords its officers the opportunity to partake in this nationally renowned and much needed training course. This letter has been sent to all Idaho law enforcement agencies. We ask that you kindly provide a brief response acknowledging your receipt of this correspondence.

Sincerely,



Edith Williams for,

***Idahoans for Non-Lethal Canine Encounter Training***

Roy Atwell (Filer)  
Debra McClain (Gooding)  
Rosemary Knudsen (Boise)  
Cara Vines (Meridian)  
Kim Blaisdell (Meridian)  
Christina Hopkins (Jerome)  
Char Pazin Etienne (Twin Falls)  
Elizabeth Miller (Twin Falls)  
Jonalynn and Bard Hansen (Kimberly)  
Susan Upton-Hughes (Priest River)  
Jessica Fyfe (Emmett)  
Sandra Williams (Horseshoe Bend)  
Morgan Devine (Nampa)  
Carly Middlekauff (Boise)  
Debbie Shurte (Meridian)  
KC Mauk (Boise)  
Jerry Richardson (Mountain Home)  
Dan DeKamp (Nampa)  
Samantha DiGesualdo (Pocatello)  
Lidsay Rock (Boise)  
Tyler Capps (Boise)  
James Szatkowski (Boise)

Rocky Fullerton (Caldwell)  
Peter Weiss (Nampa)  
Greg Bohn (Kuna)  
Steve Shurte (Meridian)  
Bill Escobedo (Nampa)  
Kelly D. (Caldwell)  
R. Comstock (Caldwell)  
Sam Chaney (Parma)  
Gail Russell (Middleton)  
Jay Conner (Parma)  
Shawna Watson (Caldwell)  
Candy Odiorne (Star)  
Bri King (Nampa)  
Nichole Cobb (Star)  
Myllinda K. Stovel (Nampa)  
Phyllis Salsedo (Star)  
Ray Raymen (Nampa)  
Joline Malingani (Nampa)  
BriAnne Laverty (Nampa)  
Calvin Hogmire (Middleton)  
Valeri Woods (Boise)  
Mr. Mrs. Rice (Meridian)

Andrea Huggins (Boise)  
Alyssa Matson (Meridian)  
Savanna Fernandez (Boise)  
Melinda McMullin (Meridian)  
Lori D. (Meridian)  
Brandy Schultz (Caldwell)  
Mandy Moore (Meridian)  
Julie Anderson (Boise)  
Courtney Jacques (Boise)  
Joe Lunghofer (Boise)  
Dwayne Haner (Boise)  
Paice Weast (Caldwell)  
Jeff Dale (Caldwell)  
Dru Morgan (Caldwell)  
Teri Dipasquale (Caldwell)  
Lindsay Coombs (Meridian)  
Elaina Wall (Caldwell)  
Shirley Schaeffer (Meridian)  
Becky Flick (Caldwell)  
Lacey Hill (Caldwell)  
Bill Shurte (Sweet)

CC: C. L. "Butch" Otter, Idaho State Governor  
Lawrence Wasden, Idaho Attorney General

Enc. Training Registration Form and Course Outline  
Training Hosting Form and Memo  
Information about CELET. US and Jim Osorio

# CELET

CANINE ENCOUNTERS LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

## DEFENSIVE TACTICS: CANINE ENCOUNTERS

A MUST FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS



[WWW.CANINEENCOUNTERS.COM](http://WWW.CANINEENCOUNTERS.COM)

[INFO@CANINEENCOUNTERS.COM](mailto:INFO@CANINEENCOUNTERS.COM)

### TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

- Facts and their Statistics
- Contributing Factors in a Dog Bite
- Types of Aggressions in Dogs
- Dog Body Languages
- Encountering Dogs on the Job
- Report Writing
- Use of Force Continuum
- Tools of the Trade
- Self-Defense Against Dogs
- Other Topics of Interest

### OVERVIEW

This training is intended to offer officers who come across dogs on their daily duties a better perspective on handling their canine encounters without the use of lethal force.

Reduce your department's liability and protect your officers with street proven techniques.

When safety and seconds count, don't wait until it comes to the safety of your officers and the public.

Austin, Atlanta, Beaumont, Fort Worth and Leander Police Department all recommend this training for all law enforcement officers across the US.

Call (817) 290-2121 to host this training for your officers at your department.

**CELET**

PO BOX 170841

ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76003

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## ABOUT THE TRAINER - JIM OSORIO

Jim is regarded as one of the foremost experts in the country today in canine encounters and less lethal technology towards animals. With over 33 years in Public Safety, he has trained officers throughout the United States at the Local, State and Federal levels of Law Enforcement, Animal Control, Firefighters and EMS personnel.

Jim has worked in the field of Public Safety for several years; he has held titles such as Certified Animal Control Officer, Certified Animal Cruelty Investigator, Deputy Marshall, Emergency Medical Technician, Firefighter, Inspector, Investigator, Police Dispatcher and Special Deputy Sheriff.

Jim has written several articles and a book, *How to Prosecute Animal Cruelty*. He has also been called in as an Expert Witness for various cities, county, state and federal government agencies. He has received several recognitions from various agencies in his assistance for helping animals in their time of need; such incidents were during the September 11, 2001 attacks of the World Trade Center in New York City, Florida Hurricanes in 2004 and Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

Jim served in the United States Army, receiving his Honorable Discharge in 1986. In 2000 he received a Certificate of Recognition from the Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen for his service during the period of the Cold War (2 September 1945 – 26 December 1991) in promoting peace and stability for the United States. Jim also is a member of the National Disaster Animal Response Team, National Illegal Animal Fighting Task Force and the National Dangerous Animal Task Force – Region 6.

His training methods have been accredited by numerous law enforcement agencies across the United States. Fort Worth Police Department, TX, Atlanta Police Department, GA, East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office, LA, Leander Police Department, TX and the Austin Police Department, TX have rated his training methods number #1 for all law enforcement officers across the United States.

*The information that is contained in this publication is based on past experiences and the teaching of Jim Osorio's training courses for law enforcement officers on their canine encounters since 2005. It's believed that this publication provides law enforcement officers education and information on their canine encounters. Edited and published by Jim Osorio. No part of this publication may be reproduced in any form without permission in writing from Jim Osorio, except by a reviewer who wishes to quote a brief passage in connection with a review for inclusion in a magazine, newspaper or broadcast. 2005-2014 Copyright ©. All Rights Reserved. (Reprinted from "Surviving the Canine Encounter" with the kind permission of Jim Osorio)*



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# DEFENSIVE TACTICS: CANINE ENCOUNTERS

## COURSE OUTLINE

### OVERVIEW:

This training is intended to offer officers who come across dogs on their daily duties a better perceptiveness on their canine encounters. In this training officers will leave with an improved understanding on how to prevent an attacking dog, making a stand, OC Spray effects, Taser's, taking a bite if needed, and much more. Officers should also be capable of overcoming their fear of dogs. Keep in mind; a dog can be controlled. But, if you panic and try to turn and run in an effort to evade a dog, they will and can run you down.

When officers complete this training, they will receive a certificate and the skills that will give them an advantage in their department over other officers. No specific knowledge of dogs is required for this training, but we find that it helps if they have some form of dog-related knowledge so that officers can have a better understanding.

### COURSE OUTLINE / AGENDA:

**TERMINAL LEARNING OBJECTIVES:** Given officers to be trained and instruct officers in Defensive Tactics: Canine Encounters. This is an 8-Hour training course. Certificates issued at the end of the course.

**ENABLING LEARNING OBJECTIVES:** In accordance with this detailed training, the officer will understand and learn the following:

#### **Introduction**

##### **Facts And Their Statistics**

##### **Contributing Factors In A Dog Bite**

- Irresponsible And Uneducated Owners
- Inadequately Trained Officers
- Inappropriate Actions By An Officer
- Problems From Dog Incidents
- Problems That Have Occurred In The US
- Problems For Officers
- Why Do Dogs Bite
- How Common Are Shooting Incidents

##### **Types Of Aggressions In Dogs**

- 10 Types Of Aggressions In Dogs
- Which Breeds Of Dogs Bite

##### **Dog Body Languages**

- 7 Types Of Body Language
- Ear Posture, Eye Behavior, Mouth Behavior, Tail Position, Body Posture, Vocal Comm., Crisis Situations

##### **Encountering Dogs On The Job**

- Types Of Responses By Officers
- Assessing The Risk To Yourself Or Others
- Assessing The Scene
- Unconventional Access
- Alerting A Dog
- When Encountering Any Unfamiliar Dog
- How To Talk To A Dog
- How To Approach Dogs Inside Vehicles

#### **Report Writing**

- Effective Report Writing In Regards To Dogs
- Identification Of Dogs
- Benefits

#### **Use Of Force Continuum**

- Five Levels Of Use Of Force With Dogs
- Considerations In Policies On Lethal Force
- Sample Statement Involving Lethal Force

#### **Tools Of The Trade**

- Criteria Tools And Techniques
- Distractions
- Restraint Requirements In Dogs
- Chemical Agent Use On Dogs (OC Spray)
- Impact Weapons And Their Uses On Dogs
- ECD's And Their Uses On Dogs
- Chemical Capture And Their Uses On Dogs

#### **Self-Defense Against Dogs**

- Train As Realistic As Possible
- More Tips Of Realistic Training
- Fatal Tendencies
- Hand To Paw Combat©
- Defensive Stance
- Target Areas
- Vital Points

#### **Follow Up Or Questions**







# CELET – Canine Encounters Law Enforcement Training

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info@canineencounters.com

Registration forms can be submitted for multiple attendees by E-Mail, Fax or Mail.

THIS FORM IS NOT A CONFIRMATION OF COURSE REGISTRATION, BUT USED TO RESERVE A PLACE IN A CLASS. YOU WILL RECEIVE CONFIRMATION OF COURSE ENROLLMENT FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF PAYMENT.

(STUDENT/POC) FIRST NAME			
(STUDENT/POC) LAST NAME			
RANK/TITLE		DATE	
AGENCY			
AGENCY ADDRESS			
CITY		STATE	ZIP
TELEPHONE		FAX	
EMAIL ADDRESS			

TRAINING LOCATION	Ada County Sheriff's Office – Training Annex – Classroom A (8:00am-5:00pm)				
TRAINING ADDRESS	7180 Barrister Dr., Entrance 3	CITY	Boise	ST	ID
COURSE REQUESTED	Defensive Tactics: Canine Encounters	DATE	10/30/2014	FEE*	\$75.00

STUDENT NAME		STUDENT NAME	
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\*The fees include parking, materials, registration and tuition.

TOTAL REGISTRATION FEE DUE: \$

☐ CHECK ☐ MONEY ORDER ☐ PURCHASE ORDER ☐ CREDIT CARD - E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

(Provide e-mail so we can send you a link to pay by credit card.)

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE to "CELET" and mail to:

CELET  
PO Box 170841  
Arlington, Texas 76003-0841

\* CANCELLATION POLICY: Students must cancel at least 5 Business Days in advanced of the first day of class in order to receive a full refund. All cancellations past the 5-Day notice are non-refundable. Please provide a copy of the purchase order with this student registration form. All payments must be submitted before the class date.

OFFICE USE ONLY

## **CELET Canine Encounters Law Enforcement Training HOSTING TRAINING REQUEST INFORMATION**

Thank you for your curiosity in hosting CELET training with your agency.

Our goal is to have a minimum of 25 students in our training courses. For hosting CELET training at your facility your agency will receive three (3) free seats. Therefore, we ask that you assist us with recruiting students by promoting it to officers within your region.

### **WHAT WE REQUIRE OF A HOSTING AGENCY**

#### **Provide Training Course Location**

All we need from you is a classroom type environment and some assistance in getting the information out. CELET coordinates all training participant enrollments from our office in Arlington, Texas. Therefore, we would not expect you to collect any fees for enrollment. However, we would require a point of contact at the training course location, to which we can refer attendees for location information. Prior to setting up the training you will be asked to provide CELET with a course location, address, point of contact, point of contact phone and email and a list of suggested area hotels. CELET will create a training announcement, post this information to our website and send you all the materials you would need to support the training course.

**At the time of the training course we ask that you could provide the following:**

- A classroom large enough to hold all participants.
- LCD Projector / Power Point Equipment.

#### **Generate Course Attendance**

As a hosting agency, we ask that you help us generate class attendance by contacting agencies within your area. When doing so, keep in mind that participants are usually willing to drive several hours to attend our training course. Contact could usually be made by telephone, email, mail, teletype or fax. We usually suggest you contact the agencies within your region.

### **What CELET Will Provide The Hosting Agency**

#### **Information, Instructor, Student Manuals and Materials**

Once we have set a training date, CELET will provide you with a training announcement flyer containing the necessary training course information. Our Training Division will coordinate with one of our Instructors to teach the training course. Prior to the course the Training Division or one of our Instructors will contact you to make all the necessary arrangements. CELET will provide all course equipment and materials.

#### **Training Course Registration**

CELET coordinates all training participant enrollments from our office in Arlington, Texas. CELET will post all course dates and locations on our website and also PoliceTraining.net as soon as the date is set. Please direct all registrants to the CELET website at [www.celet.us](http://www.celet.us). Through the website, we have registration forms to assist in the registration process. Registrations can also be obtained through our Training Division via email at [info@canineencounters.com](mailto:info@canineencounters.com) or by calling the Training Division at (817) 290-2121.

#### **Canine Encounters Contact Information**

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**Canine Encounters Law Enforcement Training**  
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**Website:** [www.celet.us](http://www.celet.us)

**ADDRESS:**  
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PO Box 170841  
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Please take the time to fill out our hosting training request form, please fill out all the information if possible, if you need assistance please feel free to contact us at 817-290-2121.





**CANINE ENCOUNTERS LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING  
HOSTING TRAINING REQUEST FORM FOR  
DEFENSIVE TACTICS: CANINE ENCOUNTERS**

**HOSTING AGENCY INFORMATION**

**REQUESTED HOSTING DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AGENCY INFORMATION**

AGENCY NAME:			
AGENCY ADDRESS:		CITY:	STATE:      ZIP CODE:
MAIN PHONE:	MAIN FAX:	WEBSITE:	

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

AGENCY CONTACT:		
DIRECT CONTACT PHONE:	DIRECT CONTACT FAX:	EMAIL:

**ALTERNATE CONTACT INFORMATION**

AGENCY ALTERNATE CONTACT:		
DIRECT CONTACT PHONE:	DIRECT CONTACT FAX:	EMAIL:

**TRAINING COURSE LOCATION INFORMATION**

FACILITY NAME:			
FACILITY ADDRESS:		CITY:	STATE:      ZIP CODE:
FACILITY PHONE:	FACILITY FAX:		

**HOTEL INFORMATION**

HOTEL NAME:			
HOTEL ADDRESS:		CITY:	STATE:      ZIP CODE:
HOTEL PHONE:	HOTEL FAX:	HOTEL WEBSITE:	

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